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SUBJECT: DATE FOR TABLING MTN OFFERS

REF: (A) 77 STATE 299518, (B) 77 STATE 298259

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED FROM MINISTER OF TRADE AND RESOURCES ANTHONY A REPLY TO AMBASSADOR'S LETTER ADVISING OF U.S. INTENT TO TABLE OFFERS IN MTN THIS WEEK AND OF INTENTION OF AMBASSADOR STRAUSS TO BE IN GENEVA JANUARY 23 FOR DISCUSSIONS. TEXT OF ANTHONY LETTER, OMITTING OPENING TWO INTRODUCTORY PARAGRAPHS, IS AS FOLLOWS.

2 "I WOULD WISH YOU TO ASSURE YOUR GOVERNMENT THAT THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT IS FULLY SEIZED WITH THE IMPORTANCE OF MOVING AHEAD WITH THE NEGOTIATIONS AND THE SIGNIFICANCE OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THE 23 JANUARY MEETING IN THIS ADVANCEMENT. HOWEVER, IT IS HARDLY NECESSARY FOR ME TO EXPLAIN IN THESE EARLY DAYS FOLLOWING A GENERAL ELECTION THAT THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT WILL NOT BE ABLE TO BE REPRESENTED AT MINISTERIAL LEVEL AT THE MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR STRAUSS. THE GOVERNMENT WILL, OF COURSE, CLOSELY FOLLOW THESE DISCUSSIONS AND OTHER DEVELOPMENTS IN THE COMING PHASE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS

THROUGH ITS AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL REPRESENTATION IN GENEVA
AND I WILL BE FULLY AND PROMPTLY INFORMED ABOUT THEM.

"WHILST DETAILED PREPARATIONS HERE FOR THE NEXT STAGE
OF THE MTN ARE ONGOING AND CONTINUING, IT IS EVIDENT, FOR
REASONS THAT YOU WILL READILY APPRECIATE, THAT THE
AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT WILL NEED SOME LATITUDE IN REGARD TO
THE MID JANUARY TIMETABLE." ALSTON

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